LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

To:

Lewis County Board of County Commissioners

From:

Lewis County Planning Commission

Date:

October 14, 2014

Subject:

Transmittal to the BOCC: Findings and Conclusions regarding whether to amend the

Lewis County Countywide Planning Policies

Dear Commissioners:

The Planned Growth Committee held a workshop on April 9, 2014 and the Planning Commission held a workshop on September 23, 2014 to discuss amending the Lewis County Countywide Planning Policies (CWPPs). No changes were proposed by either the Planned Growth Committee or the Planning Commission. At the public hearing for the Countywide Planning Policies held on October 14, 2104, the Planning Commission decided to make no changes to the CWPPs based on what they heard from the public. As Chairman of the Planning Commission, I am transmitting herewith the recommendations of the Planning Commission pertaining to the above topic.

General findings of fact:

- 1. The Planned Growth Committee for Lewis County, consisting of representatives of the incorporated cities of Lewis County and Lewis County, consistent with the requirements of the Growth Management Act, did consult on whether to make any draft changes to the CWPPs and did recommend that the Planning Commissioners not make any changes to them this year.
- 2. The Planning Commission has the authority and responsibility to review the CWPPs and make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners following a public hearing and workshop on the same.
- 3. A public hearing notice was published and a public hearing was held on October 14, 2014.
- 4. The Planning Commission finds that the existing CWPPs reflect the needs of Lewis County and are in the best public interests.

Conclusions

Based on the above findings and conclusions, the Planning Commission recommends the Lewis County Board of County Commissioners pass a resolution re-affirming the existing Lewis County Countywide Planning Policies with no amendments to them this year.

Date 0 14, 2014

Being duly authorized to transmit the recommendations on behalf of the Lewis County Planning Commission, I hereby respectfully submit this to the Lewis County Board of County

Commissioners.

Submitted by

Michael Mahoney Chairman

Lewis County Planning Commission